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produced by chemical synthetic techniques or by a combination thereof. As used herein, the term polynucleotide also includes DNAs or RNAs, as described above, that contain one or more modified bases. Examples of modified bases include, but are not limited to, backbone modifications to increase stability and incorporation of unusual bases such as inosine or tritylated bases.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2, 7-8 and 10-25 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (amended) An isolated polynucleotide comprising:
 - (a) SEQ ID NO: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13; or
 - (b) a nucleic acid sequence which hybridizes under stringent conditions to an antisense sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending in the instant application. In the Office Action Summary it is indicated that claims 7-25 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner. However, at page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that claims 7-8 and 10-25 have been withdrawn from consideration and that Group I,